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COUNTRY USSR (Black Sea)/Bulgaria

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4. The Lumber Pier was being extended. At the head of the pier, a section of about 50 meters was in an advanced stage of construction. Beyond this, a number of concrete pylons were in place.

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Cape Kaliakra, Bulgaria

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Sukhoy Liman

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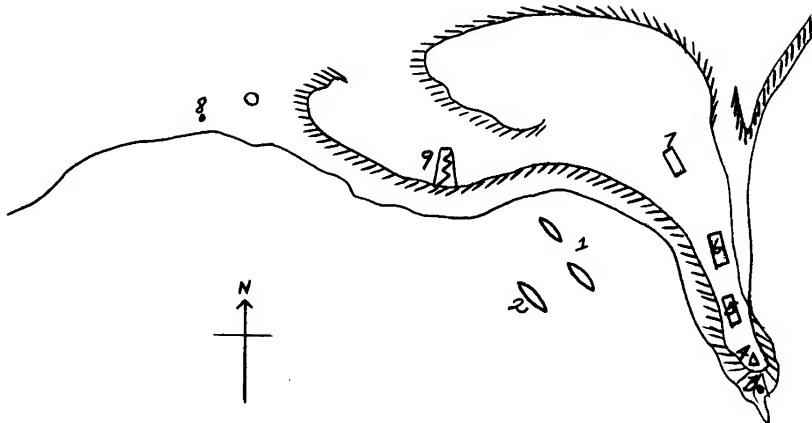
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Sketch Map of Cape Kaliakra



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3. Cape Kaliakra Lighthouse.
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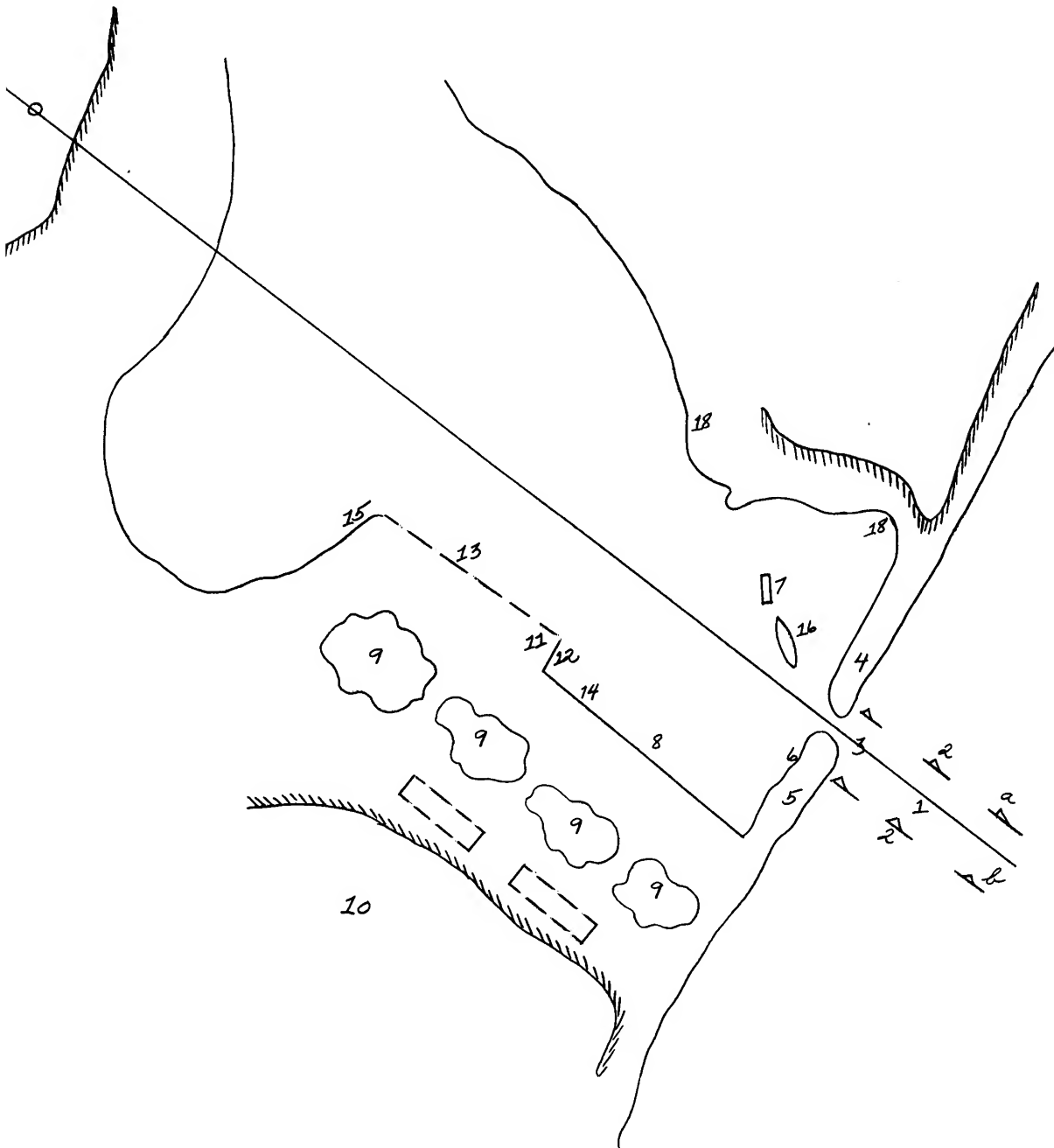


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Sketch Map of Harbor of Sukhoy Liman



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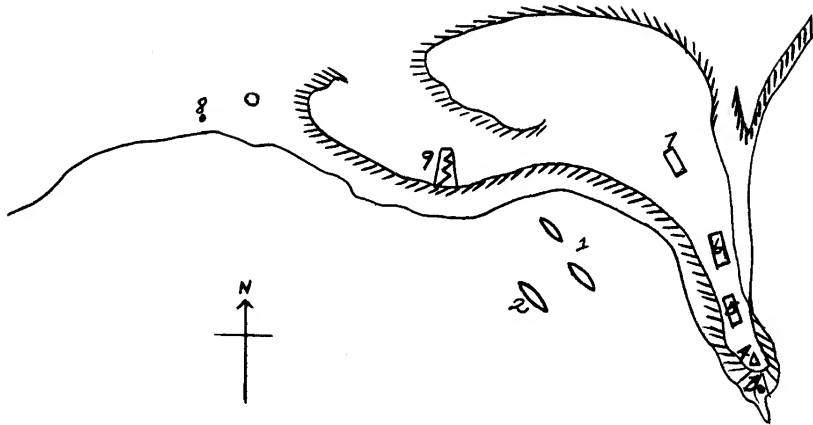
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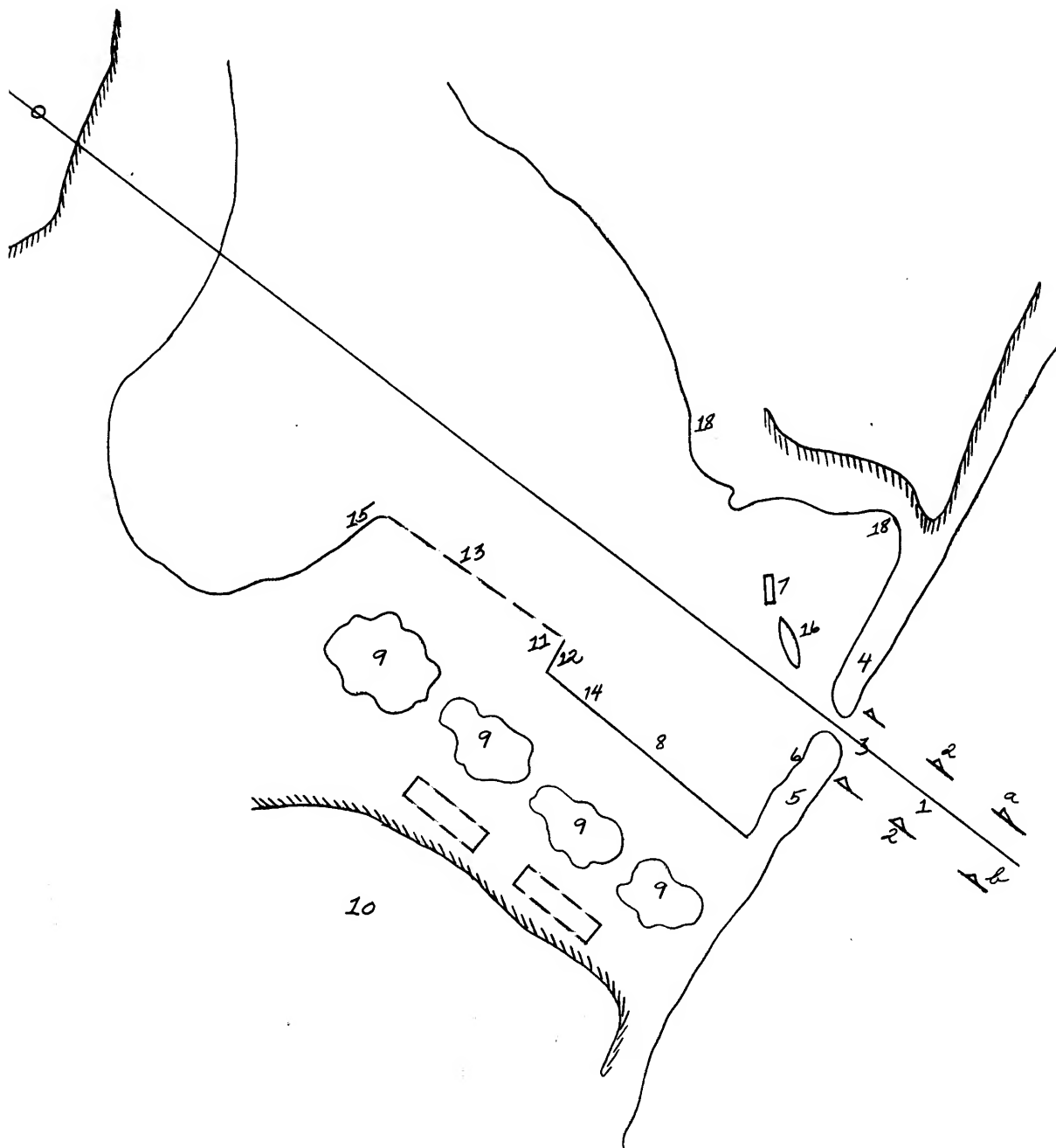
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